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My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter, which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHOD FOR PROLONGING THE LIFE OF LITHIUM ION BATTERIES**, the specification of which is attached hereto. I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge my duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

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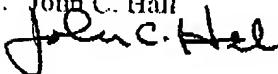
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